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### NEWS SUMMARY.

**Foreign.**—Chinese Minister to France has gone home. —Garrison in Senegal cut off by London insurgents. —New ship canal in Egypt proposed. —Abyssinian Ambassador arrives in England. —Gladstone asks Liberals to be on hand at opening of Parliament. —New steamer from Feb. 1, New York to Trieste. —Baron's white elephant at Liverpool, safely. —Mr. Lowell accepts presidency of Birmingham and Medial Institute. —Nihilists on the trail of the Czar and the Kaiser. —*Celtic* at Queenstown in tow of *Britannic*, broken shaft and voyage under sail. —Vigilant defeated Schaefer. —Viceroy of Canton says: "Prepare for war." —Strike of working men at Marselles. —Khartoum to be evacuated. —England flooded with pamphlets about Egypt.

**Domestic.**—Nutt a victim of "Emotional Insanity" in shooting of Duke's "experts." —Rich phosphate rock found in South Carolina. —Home bill reducing pilotage fees in N. Y. Harbor passed the Assembly. —Charles Delmonico buried. —D. L. & W. R. R. settle matters with the "pool." —Vice Pres. Harrison of the Erie made Pres. of N. Y. Pacific. —Difficulty between Dr. Newman and Madison Ave. Congregational Church. —Typhoid fever at dinner at Metropolitan hotel. —Burglars burgled extensively in Maiden Lane. —Gov. of Utah cries out for rescue of his territory. —Assistant Bishop Potter outflanks Heber Newton and gets him to stop pulling the Bible to pieces. —Mr. Beecher says the Plymouth church is heterodox. —West Shore R. R. issues \$25,000,000 of income bonds. —National Academy of Sciences reports glucose healthy and commercially important. —New Multiplex Telegraph Co. organized.

**Congress.**—Memorial of Am. Health Association; temperance petitions; lower transportation rates; improvement of Mississippi river; extirpation of pleuropneumonia in cattle; ship-canal around Nicaragua; postal telegraph; reduction of patent fees; 21 per cent. 40-year bonds; sugar and molasses on free list; to permit ex-offenders to serve in regular army; armaments.

**County.**—Jan. 1. New Year's reception by Ladies' Auxiliary of Y. M. C. A., Newark; over 3,500 calls received. —2. Police report of the City of Newark for 1883 gives number of arrests as 5,073; total number provided with lodgings, 15,592; lost children restored to parents, 156. —3. Execution of Martin for murder of wife and child, and of Graves, for murder of Eddie Soden. —Oratorio of Messiah at Grand Opera House, Newark. —4. Death of ex-Prosecutor G. N. Abel. —Rev. J. R. Fisher installed Pastor of Pres. Church, South Orange. —Organization of the Orange Mountain Medical Society. —6. The Newark Morning Star suspends its Sunday edition. —7. Two deaths in Newark; ages respectively, 91 and 92. —Strike of the Mile End Thread Works. —8. Ex-Assemblyman John Egan retracts plea of not guilty to the charge of attempt to bribe Assemblyman Amittage and pleads guilty. —Mayor-elect Haynes, of Newark, sworn into office. —9. Opening of new High School building of Newark. —10. Newark police shops raided by the police; 6,016 arrests made and a large amount of gambling paraphernalia captured. —Wardens of County Jail and Penitentiary make their report to the Board of Freeholders; 373 prisoners in the former, and 41 in the latter. —Warden of Lunatic Asylum reported 346 inmates. —12. Macomber's 60 annual meeting reported 7 months out of 1,136 members. —14. Charles Delmonico's dead body found on Orange Mountain. —The 13th Ward, of Newark, organized an Improvement Association. —East Orange Improvement Association actively agitating matter of "sewerage." —16. Will of Frank McGress, of Bloomfield, admitted to probate. —17. Ex-Assemblyman John Egan sentenced to one month County Jail and \$500 fine.

### ABOUT TOWN.

Miss Sarah E. Cooper is visiting in Morris county.

The January meeting of the Baptist literary will be omitted.

During the past week revival services have been held in the Methodist Baptist churches.

The Mountain View Station, on Greenwood Lake R. R., was destroyed recently on Thursday morning.

Mr. Leonard Osborne is at present in a very precarious condition at his home in Montgomery, suffering from a fracture.

Since the heavy fall of snow the cars do not run above the centre, sometimes they get stuck on the centre and don't run at all.

Our friend Mr. G. T. Moore gave an illustrated lecture in the New Y. M. C. A. rooms last Monday evening which was heartily enjoyed.

Mr. Henry Cadmus is still very ill in his home. His sickness is due to nervous prostration which has affected his mind to some extent. He is under the care of Dr. Davis.

The Truck boys have turned their backs into the cold, cold world.

Poor Benedict! They should have made some provision for him even though he did misbehave.

Those who would like women to vote, are respectfully referred to the advertisement of the advocates of that measure, in another column.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. I. Davidson celebrated the twentieth anniversary of their wedding day at their home on Henry street on Monday evening. About fifty guests were present and enjoyed themselves in a pleasant manner until the early morning.

The Rev. and Mrs. Sec. of the Brookdale Reformed Church, were surprised by a donation visit by their parishioners on Wednesday evening. Each one brought his donation of produce, groceries, dry goods, and many other things for the pastor's use. A pleasant evening was spent at the parsonage, thus manifesting their appreciation of the new pastor.

The annual meeting of the Orange Water Company was held at the office of the secretary, George P. Kingsley, on Monday afternoon, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: F. M. Shepard, President; F. M. Shepard, Jr., Secretary; Joseph A. Minott, Treasurer. The company is now supplying Orange, East Orange and Bloomfield with water.

Mr. George Cooper was brought to his home on Monday morning, suffering from injuries received by a fall while at work on the new coal dock of the D. L. & W. R. R. Co. at Hoboken. He was up on a scaffold about twelve feet high on the end of the dock. Seeing it tipping toward the river he jumped, to the dock, injuring the heel bone of the left foot. He was attended by Dr. White.

Mrs. Ann Vreeland, an old colored woman, whose face has long been familiar among the officers of Broad Street, Newark, as a gatherer of old papers, etc., was buried in the Bloomfield cemetery on Thursday. She was eighty-three years old, and will be remembered by the older residents of Bloomfield and Montclair, as formerly a servant in some of the prominent families of the two villages.

R. E. Heckel and Son have purchased a lot 35x100 in the burnt district, on which they propose to build immediately. The store will be two stories in height, built of brick, and with every convenience for the sale of the best sort of beef, mutton, and all provisions of the character in which they now deal. We heartily rejoice at this good beginning, and we only wish Mr. Heckel had resolved to build three stories instead of two. The additional cost would be slight; the amount of rentable space secured would amply pay the interest on the extra size; and the building would be more sightly in all respects.

### Montclair.

**PHIRE PHILANES.**—The support for the fire has been erected, and it is hoped that the new fire alarm will be in readiness this week.

Esser boys wishing to visit our house, will find Mr. Miller ready to show it to those who may call on him for that purpose.

Arrangements are about perfected (the consent of the Executive Committee being given) for lengthening the Montclair truck, and the placing upon it of two long, single ladders. The committee on the pumping apparatus are working hard, and hope to order a wagon, pump and hose shortly.

### SQUITS.

The musical entertainment at the Congregational Church on Tuesday evening by the Boy Choir of the Park Reformed Church, of New Jersey, assisted by the Young Apollo Club, entitled "An Evening with Young Voices," was well attended; the programme was well rendered, and several encores were given. Masters Geo. Bahner and C. Holzhausen, solo sopranos, and Henry Bauer, solo alto, and Mr. J. W. Mack, elocutionist and baritone were the favorites. The Young Ladies' Missionary Society are entitled to thanks in giving Montclair an opportunity of hearing this concert.

The Literary, after numerous postponements, was at last held on Monday evening. The Times forgot to mention it, but as Dr. Marvin remarked in his opening: The Literaries were so well established that they did not require a published announcement. "Shakespeare and his Plays" was a large subject, for one evening, but we suppose that at future meetings we shall have more of him. The programme began with a piano solo by Miss Livermore. Rev. Geo. A. Gates, of Upper Montclair, was the essayist for the evening. He stated that his essay was one he had read before his own people, (at the Land-a-Hand) and that if we would call on "country parsons" we must not find fault if we had some "preaching." The essay throughout was admirable in a critical sense, and all were pleased with the dominie's original views. A piano duett, "Midsummer's Night Dream," by the Misses Bouden and reading, "Selections from Shakespeare's Sonnets" by Mr. Johnston came next. These were followed by selected scenes from Act III of Henry VIII, with Mr. Wilson as Cardinal Woolsey, and Mr. Berry as the King, and in the second selection as Crom-

well. The Mendelssohn Wedding March was then given as a piano duett by the Misses Bouden. Mr. E. B. Goodell then read selections from "As you Like It," in the character of the melancholy Jacques, ending with "the Seven Ages of Man." After this came scenes from "Much Ado about Nothing," with Mr. Henry Howard as Benedict, and Mrs. R. M. Hening as Beatrice; this was the gem of the evening. Dr. Marvin stated that the next Literary would be held on Monday, Jan. 21st, the subject to be Sir Walter Scott's works; but we have since learned that it will be deferred for a week or two.

**The Coming Bazar.**—Arrangements for the Bazar to be held under the auspices of Essex H. & L. Co. No. 1 are progressing finely. The following committee of lady managers are to have charge of the various attractions: Mrs. G. D. Puffer, Mrs. F. G. Lower, Mrs. Jas. T. Dawes, Miss Josie Davis, Miss Susie McIntosh, Miss Minnie Dodd. A meeting of about thirty-five ladies was held at the residence of Dr. Davis, on Thursday, all of whom are to assist the affair in various ways. The Library Hall is to be decorated in a manner never before equalled, and many new features of a fancy fair will be introduced. Special attractions for children in the afternoon. The Bazar will be held on the afternoon and evening of Washington's birthday, and probably the following evening.

**Prof. Pearsall's Entertainment.**—The entertainment by Prof. Pearsall, in the Park M. E. Church, on Monday evening, afforded a really excellent programme. But, unfortunately, and shall we say owing to the lack of proper advertising—the audience apparently did not exceed one hundred, and fifty. We are decidedly interested in the effort to bring every legitimate matter of advertising to the pecuniary support of THE CITIZEN, and we deeply regret that our columns have not been utilized for the benefit of a most earnest religious society, and a very agreeable elocutionist.

**Where is That Horse Carriage?**—To The Citizen:—Subject that is much commented on by our townsmen?

The Fire Association have accomplished a surprising amount during the eight months of their existence. They raised, by private subscription, nearly two thousand dollars, and with it obtained the most complete apparatus of its kind, in the State. By their efforts a few gentlemen were induced to build a house at an expense of two thousand dollars. The Association assumed rent, and the expense of thoroughly equipping their active members.

The Town Committee formally accepted the department, giving them sole charge of all apparatus provided for fire use. They approved of the Fire Marshall, as selected by the Trustees, and accepted his bond for proper conduct of his office. The Association has two companies organized. One the Hook and Ladder Company, has been on duty nearly six months, and consists of fifty men. The Hose Company has at present forty-three members, and is ready for duty. The Fire Association, assisted the Improvement Association in the introduction of the water system. On November 28th, the Fire Marshall and a member of the Town Committee obtained a loan of a horse carriage for town use. The water company also have loaned 800 feet of hose. The hose carriage has been undergoing "repairs" for nearly two months, and the constant efforts of the Trustees of the Association to obtain the custody of the same have been in vain. The Town Committee have been repeatedly requested to turn the carriage and hose over to the department. It has been ready for use over a month! Now let me ask what protection we have from fire, as an offset to the \$5,800 per year, which the town must pay for the water? The hose carriage is in McDodds shop, and the whereabouts of the hose is a matter of uncertainty. There is a small amount in the truck house not coupled, and with no means of transportation.

The Town Committee has not met for a month. It is said that the member who does not dare to take the responsibility to turn the carriage and hose over to the department, has taken it upon himself to send a large part of the hose to Waterson's, where there is no organized company to use it. A slight inconsistency! As matters now stand, the water is useless. The Town Committee should have that 800 feet of hose all connected and put on the carriage, and in the custody of the department. Then, on the outbreak of a fire, everything would be ready for use and quick work. Now, if a fire starts in the middle of the town, the buildings there are doomed to destruction. A delay of ten minutes on those wooden buildings would put them beyond the possibility of being saved. The members of the department who take pride in their organization, wish the citizens of the town to know that, in the event of a disastrous fire, the blame must be laid, not on them, but where it belongs.

### FIREMAN.

### The Normal Class.

When the question of what night the Normal Class should meet was decided for Wednesday evening, the following considerations led to that result: The Rev. W. H. Broadhead was positively engaged Monday, Friday and Saturday evenings. There were regular weekly church meetings in one or another of our various churches on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, leaving only Wednesday for the Normal Class, as they desired to secure the invaluable services of Bro. Broadhead. There was the feeling that those most interested, the churches whose children reaped the advantage from the better preparation that the teachers secured, would, so far as possible, avoid that evening in making their arrangements.

Those who attend regularly feel that they cannot afford to lose a single meeting, and if those teachers, who have not been to the meetings, could make it convenient to come twice, thereafter they would devote Wednesday evening of every week to our Normal Class. W.

### "The Business Outlook."

Your article on "The Business Outlook," in the CITIZEN of Jan. 10th, contains such conclusions as would naturally be reached by reading Bradstreet's Survey of the Business of 1883, but I desire to analyze some of their so-called facts, and mention some omissions which may possibly, if true, change your conclusions. The firms doing business in 1873 are said to have been 548,180; those in 1883, 828,824; the difference of 280,644 is put down as the gain in 10 years. This shows an increase of nearly fifty per cent. in business firms, while our population has increased less than twenty per cent. in the same time, which seems very improbable. My explanation is that commercial agencies are fallible and therefore make mistakes, and second, that Bradstreet's agency had far greater facilities in 1883 for gathering these facts than in 1873.

To illustrate: Bradstreet's and Dun's commercial agencies are considered at the head of the class for gathering such statistics; yet one of these agencies in 1877 contained about 100,000 more business firms than the other. Again, two weeks ago, one of these agencies reported 346 failures for the week while the other reported but 286 for the same week. Bradstreet's agency is constantly issuing circulars to business men, setting forth such methods for gaining such facts as their journal now publishes, and I am disposed to give them credit for making more progress in that direction than any other agency in existence; therefore I must conclude that their report of the number of business houses in 1873 was not as nearly correct for that date as their report for 1883. Hence, the number that is put down as the increase of business firms would be diminished in just the proportion that their report of 1873 fell short of the correct number.

Again, you mentioned the fact that the failures in 1883 were 300 less than in 1878. Why take the year 1878 for comparison? Why not the year 1877, 1879 or 1880? Let me state, 1878 was the last year of the existence of the U. S. Bankrupt Law, and in one month over 3,000 merchants took advantage of their last chance to liquidate their indebtedness. Why not compare 1883 and its 10,299 failures with 1880 and its 4300? Then explain why an increase of about 130 per cent. in three years, or with 1881 and its 5,900, or with 1882 and its 7,600. Tell us why this steady increase.

Having now written more than I intended on your first two paragraphs, and fearing I may trespass too much on your space, I will close, leaving the remainder for a future letter, simply saying that the figures quoted further on in your article need and will admit of an explanation similar to the foregoing.

Yours,  
E. J. WHITEHEAD.

### H. Cass. Sufferer: A Tribute.

To the Bloomfield Citizen:—The death on Saturday morning, last week, of Henry Cassidy Sufferin, in the 23d year of his age, has caused profound sorrow among his many acquaintances, both in business and social life. His death was so unexpected and sudden that many had not read of his sickness before they learned the worst. The funeral was largely attended at his late residence on Monday afternoon. Rev. Geo. W. Timlow, D. D., an uncle of the deceased, and Rev. Wm. G. Farrington, D. D., conducted the services. Through all his intense suffering he retained a remarkable degree of self-control, speaking calmly of his hope of meeting his many dear friends in the home beyond. His parting was one to be forgotten.

The Newark Yacht Club presented the family with an upright floral anchor, bearing the letters, N. Y. C., and the familiar name, "Cass." A number of members of the Club were present. The firm of Quimby & Co., carriage manufacturers, of which the deceased was a member, showed their respect for his memory by presenting a floral "casket." Several other floral tributes showed a deep sense of sorrow that existed among his friends. It is strange to us why Providence should remove one who was so genial and kind, and whose presence seemed so necessary. But what is our loss is his gain, and we sorrowfully submit.

### The First of the Family to Arrive.

To the Bloomfield Citizen:—There was a stranger in town one morning last week, evidently prospecting a residence among us this coming spring. He was unable to decide whether to build in the neighborhood of blasted elms, in the burnt district, or to choose a more favorable situation toward Glen Ridge, or on Berkeley Hill. Had he asked any old settler he would have been told he would doubtless be more certain of possessing his habitation in undisturbed peace and security in this locality. Never a man had he seen, but as he rested a moment on the piazza of Mr. Carl's house, clad in bright blue over brown, he was a very conspicuous visitor on the last day of the old year. His name, by the way, which he carried on his overcoat, so that he who ran might read, proclaimed him a direct descendant of the well-known aristocratic family of Blongh Bhyrdes (phonetically spelled).

### To Cure Stammering.

Dr. Dio Lewis in his magazine gives a rule for the cure of stammering which is certainly simple enough, and which the doctor says has cured three-fourths of all the cases he has treated. The stammerer is made to mark the time in his speech, just as it is ordinarily done in singing. At first he is to beat on every syllable. He should begin by reading one of the Psalms, striking the finger on the knee at every word. "Time can be marked," says the doctor, "by striking the finger on the knee, by hitting the thumb against the forefinger, or by moving the large toe in the boot." The writer believes the worst case of stammering can be cured if the victim will read an hour every day, with thorough practice of this remedy, and observing the same in his conversation.

THE imported Italian flea, which is being propagated and distributed in Chester County, Pa., is little, almost to the point of invisibility, but its bite is said to be more severe than that of the mosquito. Another addition to the American industries.

### BALLOTS.

We sent the "devil" for "copy." The devil fled away. Alas, the devil has come again. And now he wants his say. For he brought himself in the manuscript. And here he seems to stay.

A woman's instinct is better than a man's reason.

"We are torn with conflicting emotions," said De Slym's tight trousers, as they came in contact with the ice on the skating park.

Matthew Arnold complains of the high prices charged by American landlords for the "sweetness and light" dispensed in their hotels.

A little dot of a punster asked us during a recent snow storm: "What do the snow flakes come down in?" We gave it up. "Why, in the winter, of course!"

Strawberries were introduced into England in 1530. Prior to that time what did long-lost brothers do for a strawberry mark on the left arm, whereby to be identified?

A Baltimore woman, addicted to snuff, has been speechless since a protracted sneezing fit of several days. "It sneezed matter to remark," "It snuff said!"

"The aged father of the late Leon Gambetta has just married his cook, aged forty-five." And still the women say that the shortest way to a man's heart is *via* his palate.

The largest diamond in America is one that has just been cut in Boston. It measures an inch in diameter. A plumber's assistant has purchased it for an every day collar button.

"Were you an eye witness to the assault?" a lawyer asked an old woman in court. "Indeed, I was the highest witness there; for I stood right by Paddy when he threw the brick."

An exchange tells of a breach of promise suit brought by Esther Nott against one Samuel Dickinson. Samuel's war cry during courtship was "Forget me, not," and while the fair one was making up her mind to bring suit, it was "Forget me, Nott!"

"Why, yes," said Briggs, "he's a finished speaker." "Is, heh?" retorted old man Grouty, who was listening to the conversation. "Yes, I should think he was. He's so concernedly finished, that he was done and ended and hadn't no new ideas about twenty years ago—and that's about the size of it."

"Ma, what a buttoner?" asked the Sharp Boy. "It's a thing for your button hole." "I know; it's a button-hole, isn't it?" Now Adolphus's brevet best girl was there in the room, and she was fixing one for Adolphus so that she might be confirmed in the appointment. She looked mad, but said nothing.

"I don't know what gets into John that makes him so cross and in such bad spirits every night when he comes home from business," said little Mrs. S. to her mother.

"Don't know what gets into him? I'll tell you then. It's the saloon keeper's bad spirits that affects him," said Mr. S.'s sweet mother-in-law. S. is entirely too sympathetic.

The Chicago Express comes to us with an article on "Woman and the Ballot," marked for our inspection. The words "Thoughtful, intelligent, women are rising up everywhere, and demanding the ballot," are deeply underlined. We are proud that our modest column is attracting such attention. And if lovely woman (the conundrum that man will never give up) is demanding the ballot we are only too happy to say: Here is one for her exclusive use.

Poison was placed in the coffee swallowed by eight of a family named Pitt, in Texas, recently. They were supposed to have hidden in their house a large sum of golden eagles, so robin was probably the incentive to the crime; but as nothing valuable was found, the criminals must have been *racon* with disappointment. That gang *arabian*-d in this State where Justice *woolcock* her eye at them so they would *quail* before her. However, the Birds are recovering, and will probably soon convince their enemies that *toison* engage in the game of *fool* play.

If, by good luck, You see this week's *Puck*, You will find there's music to it: For that organ's cartoon Will make some soon,— Perhaps that's why they do it!

ONE of the gentlemen dealing in second-hand clothing on Chatham Street came down to Exchange place the other day, exhibited \$5,000 worth of Long Island stock, and inquired of a gentleman, "My friend, vvas dis stock shenuine?" "Yes, sir," was the reply after an inspection. "Would you advise me to sell it?" "No, sir; I would advise you to give it away!" was the decided reply. The owner scratched his head and looked very solemn for a moment, but then suddenly let a grin overspread his face, and chuckled. "Vhell, dot's shust how I figured when I took it off a customer! May pe somebody peats Moses—may pe Moses vvas ahead.—Wall Street News.

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